

FORT SNELLING, DEPT. OF THE DAKOTA
Bounded by Minnehaha Park, the
Mississippi River, the airport
and Bloomington Road
(St. Paul vicinity) Minneapolis Vic
Hennepin & Dakota Counties
Minnesota

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Minnesota	COUNTY Hennepin & Dakota	TOWN OR VICINITY St. Paul vicinity
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) FORT SNELLING, DEPARTMENT OF THE DAKOTA		HABS NO. MN-88
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Bounded by Minnehaha Park, the Mississippi River, the airport & Bloomington Road		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1881-1918 (National Register nomination)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The construction of the Department of the Dakota marks the decline of the Army's interior defense mission as the century ended and its new function as an administrative center, concerning itself with the statehood of the Dakotas & Montana, and Sioux uprisings.*		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) brick construction		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) varied		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Good-Fair condition; currently used by the Veterans Administration		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE *Between 1881-1918, Fort Snelling was expanded to meet the needs of both continental & expeditionary missions, and structures were built for housing & training of infantry, Artillery & Cavalry. Troops called for Spanish-American War, W.W. I, Leech Lake Uprising, were trained & housed here.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register nomination, prepared by John Grossman, Paul Dybvig, Historic Sites Survey, Minnesota Historical Society, November 1969		
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